

United States District Court
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	§	
	§	
v.	§	CRIMINAL ACTION NO. 3:23-CR-0497-S
	§	
JORGE GUADALUPE PALAFOX, JR. (1)	§	

ORDER

The Court grants Defendant’s Motion for Continuance of Pre-Trial and Trial Dates filed **August 8, 2024 [ECF No. 22]**, and the trial of this case is reset from **September 16, 2024** to **October 28, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.** This period of delay shall be excluded in computing the time within which the trial must commence. The final pretrial conference is reset for **October 18, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.** Pretrial motions are due no later than **September 16, 2024**. Responses to pretrial motions are due no later than **September 30, 2024**. Any reply must be filed by **October 14, 2024**. Pretrial materials are due no later than **October 14, 2024**.


Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), the Court may grant an “ends of justice” continuance at the request of a defendant or defendant’s attorney if the Court does so on the basis of findings “that the ends of justice served by taking such action outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.” One of the factors the Court may consider in granting an “ends of justice” continuance is “[w]hether the failure to grant such a continuance . . . would deny counsel for the defendant . . . the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence.” *Id.* § 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv).

For the reasons set out in Defendant’s motion, the Court finds that (1) the ends of justice served by the granting of a trial continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial; (2) the failure to grant a continuance in this case would deny

Defendant's counsel the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence; and (3) taking into account the exercise of due diligence by defense counsel, a continuance of the duration granted by this order is necessary for effective preparation by defense counsel.

SO ORDERED.

SIGNED August 13, 2024.


KAREN GREN SCHOLER
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE